

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM REPORT

April 1, 2003 – June 30, 2003

WRC-TV attempts to serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by presenting broadcast material that treats significant issues of the people in the communities served by WRC-TV station. WRC recognizes that it has an ongoing obligation to remain aware of such community issues and to exercise its best judgment as to what broadcast matter should be programmed to treat those needs and interests.

The following is a brief description of such community issues and some of the programs we believe have provided the most significant treatment of such issues during the period January 1, 2003 – March 31, 2003, including the title of such program, its time, type, source, date and duration of broadcast.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE AND TEN A.M., FOUR, FIVE, SIX AND ELEVEN P.M.
TYPE: News Series SOURCE: Local TIME: 5:00-7:00AM, 10:00-11:00AM, 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-7:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM, Monday – Friday; 6:00-6:30PM, Saturday and Sunday. NEWS 4 TODAY. TYPE: News SOURCE: Local TIMES: Weekdays, 5:00-7:00AM, Saturdays, 6:00-7:00AM, 9:00-10:00AM, Sundays, 6:00AM-8:00AM, and 9:00AM-10:30AM. DURATION: See Times. WRC-TV reporters probe special issues of concern to area residents. **Stories generally appear more than once in the daily newscasts, as they are recapped throughout the day.** WRC-TV initiated, in December 1992, active closed captioning of its news broadcasts. Currently, all regularly scheduled news programs thirty minutes or longer are closed-captioned. Also, special news events sometimes are closed captioned, depending on the availability of the transcription service. The word for word transcription service includes chitchat between stories at two hundred plus words per minute, with less than a three-second delay. This effort addresses the needs of more than 300,000 deaf and hard of hearing people in the Washington area.

THE MCLAUGHLIN GROUP. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV studios) TIME: Saturdays, 7:30-8:00PM, Repeated Sundays, 11:30AM. DURATION: thirty Minutes. This public affairs panel anchored by John McLaughlin, features discussion and analysis of current national and world events by five candid and respected Washington commentators.

ONE ON ONE. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV) TIME: Sundays, 12:00 DURATION: Thirty Minutes. Host John McLaughlin interviews a prominent political or world leader each week on selected newsworthy issues.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 6:15-6:30AM. DURATION: Fifteen Minutes. This reporter roundtable, which premiered on October 4, 1992, features discussion of public affairs issues by leading area

journalists. The program is part of News 4 Today and usually is hosted by WRC-TV reporter Tom Sherwood. Journalist Milagros Ardin, WMAL-AM; Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM; and Jerry Phillips, WBIG-FM/WTEM-AM, join him.

VIEWPOINT. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 7:00-7:30AM. DURATION: Thirty Minutes. WRC-TV's Joe Krebs hosts this weekly exploration of issues and people impacting the community. The program is part of the two hour News 4 Today news block on Sundays from 6:00-8:00AM. It premiered on November 15, 1992

I. TAKING CARE OF OUR CHILDREN and FAMILY

Many children in the Washington effort suffer from being denied the opportunity to grow up in a stable home with parents who can care for them emotionally and financially. WRC-TV helps these children directly through its Wednesday's Child project, described below. The station also broadcasts other news stories on the issue of adoption, some of which are described below.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE PM. – WEDNESDAY'S CHILD. WRC-TV's Barbara Harrison, on selected Wednesdays, features a child or children who need a home, or celebrates a happy ending to an adoption story. In September, Barbara Harrison, with the Council of Governments, launched a program through which viewers may dial a phone number and find out more about adopting a child through any jurisdiction in our viewing area. Some of the stories are repeated on News 4 Sundays at nine AM. Some of the dates in which Wednesday's Child ran were:

April (4/2, 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30)

May (5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 5/28)

June (6/4, 6/11, 6/18, 6/25)

03/03/03 – A study suggests that one reason why child safety seats are improperly installed is that the instructions are too difficult for many adults to understand.

03/03/03 – The Defense Department has chosen a design for the memorial that will honor the victims of the September 11 attacks at the Pentagon.

03/03/03 – A new U.S. Embassy was open in Kenya. That is five years since the US embassy was bombed.

03/03/03 – The Annual Carnival Celebration is underway in Rio de Janeiro.

03/04/03 – Today was the 14th Annual Terrapin Pride Day in Annapolis.

03/04/03 – The Kennedy Center released it schedule for the upcoming season today.

03/04/03 – Due to this year's weather conditions, the Cherry Blossom experts were not able to make a prediction about when the trees will bloom.

03/05/03 – Zoo officials testified in front of a house committee to explain the recent animal deaths at the National Zoo.

03/06/03 – The second annual DC marathon will take place on Sunday March 23rd.

03/06/03 – A new book by Pope John Paul II is on sale and is a bestseller in his homeland, Poland.

03/10/03 – A study suggests that children who watch violent television are more likely to become violent adults.

03/13/03 – Elizabeth Smart is back home with her family in Utah, nine months after being taken from her bedroom at knifepoint.

03/14/03 – Last night's DC lottery drawing cam up 7-7-7-7. DC Lottery expects to pay more than \$1.6 million in prizes.

03/14/03 – Edward Norris was officially sworn in today as the superintendent of the Maryland State Police.

03/18/03 – In Israel there are new efforts to prepare for a possible attack from Iraq.

03/20/03 – At St. Peter's School in Waldorf, MD second graders are putting together care packages and writing letters to a National Guard unit stationed I the Gulf.

03/20/03 – District officials are upset with the decision to cancel the DC Marathon that was scheduled for Sunday.

03/20/03 – The Marine Corps Marathon is offering 1,000 guaranteed entries to anyone who had registered for the DC Marathon that was canceled.

03/25/03 – The Northern Virginia Hospital Alliance has set up a radio system that will allow hospitals to share critical information during disasters.

04/04/03 – An old couple in Oklahoma City got married after almost 78 years of living together.

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, April 6, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times discuss Congressional frustration with District's child protection agency and called findings of a recent review of its performance disturbing over recent issues regarding children in foster care.

04/07/03 – Students at Mount Calvary School in Forestville held a peace prayer service today.

04/07/03 – Four Washington Post writers won Pulitzer prizes.

04/08/03 – Two men were killed in Delaware when a small plane crashed near an oil refinery.

04/08/03 – The new DC convention center hosted its first major event today.

04/16/03 – Reporter Doreen Gentzler talks about her experience in the Combat Zone while visiting Iraq.

04/16/03 – Former POW Jessica Lynch remains in satisfactory condition at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

04/17/03 – Dr. Robert Atkins, the architect of the “Atkins Diet” died. The 72-year-old suffered head injuries last week after falling on ice as he walked to work in NY.

04/18/03 – “Making Memories,” a national charity, is selling 10,000 wedding gowns at cheaper prices. The money will go to a fund for people suffering from Breast Cancer.

04/18/03 – A hospital in Salt Lake City is trying out a new million-dollar security system called “hugs.” The system will prevent the wrong people from taking newborns.

04/18/03 – The mother and sister of former POW David Williams have arrived in Texas, where they will be reunited with him tomorrow.

04/18/03 – Seven former POWs who were rescued Sunday in Iraq, will head back to the U.S. tomorrow.

04/21/03 – A Nashville man who risked his life to save his dog from his burning apartment could end up in jail.

04/21/03 – Hundreds of people in Rome dressed up as gladiators and marched through the city to help mark Rome’s 2,756 birthday.

04/21/03 – Thousands of families visited the National Zoo for the Easter Monday Celebrations.

04/21/03 – The Annual Eastern Egg Roll took place at the White House this morning. This year’s guest list was limited to military families.

04/21/03 – Montgomery County Officials announced a new campaign designed to discourage underage drinking.

04/22/03 – A giraffe called Jana is being sent to the Franklin Park Zoo in Boston. She will participate in a breeding program to help ensure the survival of the species

04/23/03 – In Wednesday's Child, Barbara Harrison introduces audience to two siblings who hope to settle down in a permanent home.

04/23/03 – The Submarine USS Newport News returned to its homeport in Norfolk, VA.

04/25/03 – The USS Shiloh and the USS Mobile Bay arrived back at their homeport of San Diego. They had been at sea for 10 months.

04/25/03 – This morning dozens gathered at the memorial site to pay tribute to DC officers who died in the line of duty.

04/25/03 – Family, friends, and colleagues of DC Detective Eugene Lonon gathered for his funeral. Lonon was killed in a car accident last week on the Suitland Parkway.

04/28/03 – Some members of the 113th Wing of the DC Air National Guard returned from a two-month deployment to Iraq.

04/28/03 – More than 300 airmen from the 187th fighter wing returned to Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, AL.

05/01/03 – A chess program in Southeast has helped to improve student's school performances.

05/01/03 – PG's police are looking for a woman who is missing since yesterday. Mary Dawson is a paranoid schizophrenic and left her home without taking her medication.

05/02/03 – A 20-year-old renovation project on the Carousel at Glen Echo Park in Montgomery County is finally complete.

05/02/03 – The District is working to make sure thousands of kids have a safe place to spend their summer time. They also want to provide jobs and training for older kids.

05/02/03 – Thousands of Sailors aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln returned to San Diego.

05/05/03 – Firefighters in Anne Arundel County have a hi-tech tool called Lady Anne. It can pump nearly three thousand gallons of water per minute from two hoses and has as much pumping power as three fire engines combined.

05/05/03 – Family members from Fredericksburg, VA have placed photos of soldiers on a Bulletin Board at a Wal-Mart. They had prayer sessions at the site.

05/05/03 – The USS Camden returned to Bremerton, Washington, and family and friend were on hand to greet them.

05/06/03 – A woman returned a long-overdue book to a library in CT. She found the book, which was checked out 90 years ago, in her attic

Viewpoint, May 4, 2003. Host: News4 Anchor Joe Krebs and guests: Father George Clements, president/founder, One Church-One Family, Rev.Ezell Battle, Exec.Dir, DC One Church, One Child discuss the faith based task force on child welfare to identify needs of Black children in care.

05/07/03 – Today's Wednesday' Child is three year-old Ayana.

05/07/03 – A new study by the Washington Area Women's Foundation found disparities among women were significant.

05/09/03 – Ocean City is celebrating the success of a multi-million dollar effort that pumped sand back onto the disappearing shoreline.

05/12/03 – Police in Hagerstown Maryland are asking for help to find a missing 16-year-old girl.

05/12/03 – The Potomac River has been rising from all the rain and that has caused the closure of White Ferry.

05/15/03 – Thunderstorm warnings are posted in the area.

05/16/03 – Flash flood in the area, especially in Virginia.

05/16/03 – The Clean Beaches Council has released its annual list of certified clean beaches. Some beaches in the area were certified as some of the cleanest in the nation.

05/16/03 – DC investigators are trying to determine what caused yesterday's manhole explosions at 14th street and Spring Rd., NW.

05/16/03 – The military's annual air show/ Memorial Day celebrations at the Andrews Air Force Base start today.

05/20/03 – Local public pools will open this weekend.

05/20/03 – Federal Safety Officials have issued a warning about the risk of electrocution in swimming pools.

05/20/03 – A family in Dayton, Ohio have three boys who were all born on May 20th.

II. Education

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, April 27, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times, discuss Fairfax County's schools pull the controversial sex survey because of possible suits

03/5/03 – The Prince George's County Board Of Education released its plan for making up some of the lost time due to repeated school closings.

03/06/03 – The Arlington County School System passed a plan to make up all missed days at school.

03/07/03 – Anne Beers Elementary School in Southeast DC has a new "Space Explorers Air to Space Museum."

03/07/03 – The Federal Government announced that \$30 million have been set aside to help schools prepare for a possible terror attack.

03/11/03 – The Montgomery County Board of Education has come up with a plan to make up for this year's snow days.

03/13/03 – DC Public Schools unveiled its emergency preparedness plan.

03/18/03 – Some changes in Area schools because of the elevated terror alert.

03/21/03 – DC School Officials approved a plan for making up some of the days students missed because of the snow this year.

03/25/03 – Students in Montgomery County will have to go to school two extra days to make up for the days missed due to snow.

04/02/03 – Scientists from Macalester College in Saint Paul, Minnesota, say the fossil bones from the "majungatholus" dinosaur, remove doubt that it had a taste for members of its own species.

04/08/03 – Morris Brown College in Atlanta may be forced to close after it lost its accreditation last year because of financial instability.

04/17/03 – The Rock Creek International School sponsored a Middle East Awareness Day.

04/17/03 – The board investigating the shuttle Columbia disintegration ha made its first safety recommendations.

04/18/03 – The first space flight since the Columbia Shuttle disaster is set for April 26.

04/21/03 – George Mason University is searching for ways to address the explosive enrollment rate.

04/22/03 – A news conference was held today to announce the addition of an African American Food Collection into the Smithsonian's Anacostia Museum.

04/25/02 – More than three thousand middle and high school students from the area went to Six Flags America in Largo to complete a work book that relates the amusement park rides to physics by looking at speed, friction, and centripetal force.

04/03/03 – Montgomery County's school superintendent said he would appeal the federal government's rejection of the county's head start program.

05/01/03 – Some in Congress want to impose school vouchers on DC, while the city remains divided over the issue.

05/02/03 – Fairfax firefighters held a very important training session as they set a whole house on fire with the permission of the owner who plans to re-build.

05/02/03 – DC Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton expressed anger over Mayor Anthony Williams's negotiations with Federal officials to establish a pilot voucher program in the DC- Public Schools.

05/05/03 – DC Investigators try to determine the cause of a fire at Maret School in Woodley Park.

05/08/03 – A slave child was reburied today after he was found in an archeological dig in Londontown.

05/08/03 – Registration process and other procedures in area schools will soon change after the purchase of new technology.

05/08/03 – A group of University of Maryland students went to Annapolis to protest the cuts and possible tuition hike.

05/09/03 – Dodge Park Elementary School in Landover celebrated the re-opening and dedication of the school.

05/09/03 – House members and city DC leaders are divided on a controversial bill that would offer federal funds that low-income families can use to move their children from low-performing public schools to private schools.

05/12/03 – Something was wrong with question ten on last October's PSAT tests, so the question is dropped and the final scores are revised.

05/13/03 – A high school journalism teacher found an error in the PSAT tests.

05/13/03 – There was a festive groundbreaking today for a 63-million-dollar combined complex of Lincoln middle school and Bell Multicultural High School, which is expected to be completed in three years.

05/15/03 – There is going to be a lunar eclipse tonight.

05/15/03 – The City Museum of Washington officially opened today.

Viewpoint, May 18, 2003. Host; News4 Anchor Joe Krebs and guest Dr. Paul Vance, Superintendent, DC Public Schools and Kevin P. Shavous, Council member and chair of the committee on Education, Libraries and Recreation discuss the DC public school

05/22/03 – Secretary Rumsfeld praises navy and marine graduates for career choice to defend country.

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, May 25, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times - PG School board and County Council are wrangling over how to handle a baby boom that could bring 10,000 more students in to the county than they were built to handle.

05/26/03 – Students in Alexandria had to give up their holiday to make up for time lost during the snowy winter.

05/29/03 – Nepal honors Sir Edmund Hillary with honorary citizenship for conquering world's tallest mountain.

05/29/03 – The Mount Bethel Church is on list of most endangered historic places by the National trust for Historic Preservation.

05/30/03 – Lake Arbor Elementary School had a dedication ceremony for their new education technology facility.

05/30/03 – Comprehensive tests of Basic Skills for Montgomery County elementary school students indicate that all schools scored at or above the 50th percentile in 3 of 5 subject areas.

05/30/03 – The head of the U of Maryland says that tuition at the school will increase this fall by at least 14 – percent.

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, June 1, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times, 31 Maryland High Schools have been named by Newsweek magazine as among the nation's most demanding public schools

06/04/03 – The superintendent of the US Navel Academy has resigned after an investigation of improper conduct with a Marine sentry at the Navy Academy New Year's Eve party.

06/06/06 – The city launched, “ Youth Champions” a summer job program for the 89 hundred teenagers looking for work.

06/09/03 – For the first time in the U.S, the writings and photos of Anne Frank's journal will be displayed at the Holocaust Museum.

06/09/03 – Debbie Jarvis reports on Bush education plan “no child left behind act” and the districts game plan on the reform law.

06/10/03 – Ten year-old Diana Pressel won the right to be Mayor of Rockville for the day after winning an essay contest about what she would do is she were mayor.

06/10/03 - A rocket carrying the NASA rover blasted into Cape Canaveral.

06/13/03 – Darcey Spencer reports U of Maryland being criticized for continuing to pay a former administrator a six-figure salary.

06/16/03 –Local university and high school students worked on building the largest scale model of the solar system in Westfield Maine.

Viewpoint, Sunday, June 15, 2003 Host; News4 Anchor, Joe Krebs and guests: Curt Levey, Director Legal and Public Affairs, Center for Individual rights and Dr. Ronald Walters, Professor, Government and politics University of Maryland discuss affirmative action in higher education.

06/20/03 – The “nations report card: reading 2002” delivers more bad news.

06/20/03 - A new report says that DC public school students are getting a failing grade when it comes to reading.

06/24/03 – Students from 50 states competed in an auto skills competition down on the Mall. The winning team from Minnesota won 65- thousand dollars in scholarships and prizes after completely de-bugging a car in less than an hour and a half.

III. Environment

03/05/03 – A significant presence of gas fumes was found in the 2000 block of 18th street.

03/07/03 – The snakehead fish in an Annandale pet store was seized by state official.

03/10/03 – The Cherry Blossoms will begin to bloom on April 8th.

03/11/03 – Dozens of people in NW, DC are without power after a manhole fire.

03/14/03 – The DC area is now eligible for federal assistance to cover the cost of emergency measures connected with the snowstorms. This after President Bush declared that the snowstorms caused a state of emergency.

03/18/03 – Crews in Prince William County are trying to find and fix a gas leak in the colonial pipeline.

03/27/03 – Crews worked through out the night to repair a huge sinkhole in Georgetown.

03/28/03 – Fire broke out on the roof of the Japanese embassy on NW, Washington.

04/04/03 – The daylight saving time starts this Saturday.

04/16/03 – A 500 pound pig fell out of a truck in St. Louis, creating a challenge for rescuers who wanted to catch him.

04/18/03 – Marine life experts in Florida are aiding more than a dozen whales that have beached themselves in shallow water. Four of them have died.

04/21/03 – Mayor Anthony Williams and EPA Administrator Whitman announced a grant of \$50,000 as the latest federal contribution in the on-going effort to clean up the Anacostia River.

04/21/03 – MD Governor Bob Ehrlich appointed former state senator Martin Madden as the new head of the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area.

04/21/03 – Investigators in MD are trying to determine what caused a massive warehouse fire on the Eastern Shore.

04/24/03 – Nearly 50 homes were damaged or destroyed in Johnson County, TX, after a tornado ripped through the area.

04/28/03 – Clean-up efforts are underway in a Massachusetts Bay after thousands of gallons of oil spilled from a barge.

04/28/03 – A large brush fire is burning out of control in Northern Ohio, threatening dozens of homes.

05/01/03 – At least 100 people were killed by an earthquake, which had a magnitude of 6.4 in Turkey.

05/02/03 – A fatal fire in Baltimore has displaced 5-dozen people.

05/05/03 – A 55-story Hilton Hotel in NYC, which was damaged on September 11, re-opened today.

05/05/03 – Thousands of dollars in Damaged homes left after tornadoes ripped across Kansas.

05/05/03 – There was a minor earthquake in central Virginia at around 12:30 this afternoon.

05/06/03 – Coverage of the tornadoes the ripped through the Midwest and South over the weekend.

05/07/03 – Flash flooding was reported across parts of Tennessee after heavy rain fell today.

05/08/03 – Tornadoes and thunderstorms moved through Oklahoma overnight.

05/08/03 – There is massive flooding in Atlanta, Georgia.

IV. Transportation

03/03/03 – Road crews have been repairing thousands of potholes that developed during the snowy winter.

03/05/03 – The DC taxicab commission voted last night to impose a one-dollar gasoline surcharge per trip.

03/06/03 – Crews have repaired damage from a mudslide along Canal Rd, NW.

03/11/03 – Supporters of Metro's proposed Purple Line held a rally in Silver Spring.

03/12/03- Officials are going to build a "kiss-n-ride" lane to prevent traffic jams in front of a hospital in D.C. People kissing often distract drivers.

03/12/03 – Plans to transform Pennsylvania Avenue – in front of the White House – into a pedestrian walkway have been approved.

03/13/03 – The VA Department of transportation is cutting the budget for the service of patrol crews that help stranded drivers on major highways.

03/20/03 – A small plane crashed on Whipp Drive, near the Leesburg Municipal Airport. The pilot of the plane was killed.

04/01/03 – The Maryland Transportation Authority will try to eliminate the tolls at the Bay Bridge between the hours of 7p.m. on Friday and 7a.m. on Saturday during three weekends in June.

04/04/03 – A small airplane crashed into a building in Leominster, Massachusetts, killing all its passengers.

04/04/03 – A car and a truck collided on River Rd in Montgomery County. The driver of the car was killed.

04/04/03 – Dozens of high school students from Maryland were injured in a bus crash in Florida.

04/08/03 – An accident involving a Metro bus is under investigation in Prince George's County.

04/10/03 – There will be some street closures this weekend due to the scheduled protests against the war, and against the World Bank and IMF.

04/10/03 – British Airways and Air France announced that they will stop all Concorde operations next fall.

04/10/03 – Area elected officials and security leaders were on an emergency preparedness hearing today on Capitol Hill. They discussed the threat traffic problems could pose in the event of another terrorist attack.

04/14/03 – Five people were hospitalized following an early morning accident in the 1400 block of New York Avenue.

04/14/03 – Metro and the Department of Homeland Security announced a plan to help commuters prepare for emergencies.

04/15/03 – Delta Airlines launched a new low fare service.

04/15/03 – The sign that urge motorists on local highways to report suspicious activities has been changed to report terrorist activities.

04/15/03 – American Airlines flight attendants have not yet approved wage and other concessions needed to stay out of bankruptcy.

04/16/03 – A 3-year-old girl was critically injured after a car in Columbia Rd. hit her. The driver stopped, but drove away after some bystanders starting pounding on his car. He stopped a few blocks away.

04/16/03 – Two DC attorneys have filed a suit against the District's speed and red light cameras program.

04/17/03 – Metro's board members are considering base fare increases of up to 20-cents for bus riders and 30-cents for Metro rail.

04/17/03 – The Maryland transportation authority is lifting weekend lane restrictions on the bay bridge.

04/17/03 – A house fire in Bethesda caused big traffic problems this morning.

04/17/03 – The District has unveiled a new plan for dealing with roadside emergencies.

04/21/03 – Safety concerns at Leesburg Executive Airport due to three deadly crashes near the airport.

04/21/03 – Gas prices are coming down in the country, however in the DC area they remain high.

04/24/03 – Metro fares will be increased according to Metro's budget committee.

04/24/03 – Story about the Springfield Mixing Bowl project.

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, April 27, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times discuss tour bus drivers in the District, left with no place to park, are being forced to drive around in circles downtown to avoid costly tickets from parking enforcement crews.

04/29/03 – According to Virginia Transportation officials the Springfield interchange project is now at the halfway point.

04/30/03 – A dump truck and a semi carrying chemicals collided this morning

05/01/03 – Delta Airlines is asking its pilots union to agree to an immediate 22 percent rollback in salaries.

05/01/03 – Budget cuts at the transportation security administration will force the layoff of three thousand baggage screeners by the end of the month.

05/01/03 – Over \$19-million are available to complete the environmental impact study in Maryland.

05/02/03 – City officials say the new inspection station in Northeast is behind schedule.

05/02/03 – No charges have been filed in yesterday's deadly tour bus accident.

05/02/03 – The USS Lincoln arrived in San Diego this morning after nearly ten months at sea.

05/05/03 – The Bethesda Naval Hospital has a major construction project underway which will lead to major traffic delays over the next two weeks.

05/05/03 – A car ended up in someone's house this morning in Seat Pleasant.

05/06/03 – An Amtrak train collided with a lumber truck in Georgia, killing the truck driver and injuring the engineer.

05/06/03 – Arlington County Police are investigating a bus accident that killed a pedestrian this morning.

05/07/03 – Route 301 in Bowie reopened after being closed for about four hours due to an accident between a car and a tractor-trailer.

05/08/03 – More police presence in the area as part of the Metro Area's Smooth Operator Campaign to crack down on aggressive drivers.

05/09/03 – The Georgetown Project is considering two new high tech parking meter systems.

05/13/03 – Maryland officials put out a warning for drivers to be extremely careful in highway work zones.

05/14/03 – Vehicles that run on alternative fuels were on display at the National Mall today.

05/14/03 – Congress is debating whether to add 36 more flights at National Airport.

05/14/03 – Virginia has a new transportation plan that cost \$7.2 billion.

05/14/03 – Three people were hurt after a school bus overturned after a collision with a minivan in Northeast Washington.

05/14/03 – A freight train car is on fire in Silver Spring.

05/15/03 – Amtrak is still facing serious financial challenges despite getting its trains back on track.

05/16/03 – The federal government has presented Metro with \$59-million to help fund the extension of the Blue Line.

05/19/03 – 45 students and 7 adults from Saint Joseph's Parochial School in Martinsburg had a trip cut short when their tour bus overturned on 1-70 near Frederick.

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, May 18, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington,

Washington Times – Virginia officials will abandon studies of widening Interstate 66 through Arlington County.

05/19/03 – The opening of the IKEA store in College Park will bring jobs and millions in revenue to the local economy, but it is also expected to bring more traffic congestions.

05/19/03 – A truck driver called police this morning saying he was told there were explosives planted on the tractor-trailer. A bomb squad searched the truck and did not find explosives.

05/21/03 – The house transportation committee passed a compromise plan that would add 20 take-off or landing slots.

05/22/03 – City crews are on the streets trying to repair thousands of potholes in the metro area.

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, May 25, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times – Congress took another step toward adding flights at Ronald Reagan national Airport.

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, June 15, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington Washington Times – Gov Robert Ehrlich launched the latest effort to win federal approval of the intercounty connector highway project saying that commuters who spend countless hours in their cars deserve to finally see it built.

V. Health

02/28/03 – The Food and Drug Administration said there should be a warning label on the popular herb called Ephedra.

03/04/03 – The Drug company that discontinued the contraceptive sponge sold the rights to a new company in New Jersey.

03/04/03 – A new study shows that a lot of people who take medication are suffering from preventable side effects and the doctors may be to blame.

03/05/03 – There is a display of a 40-foot-long replica of the human colon at the Freedom Plaza.

03/05/03 – A new study suggests that a daily dose of aspirin may help prevent colon cancer.

03/10/03 – There are new guidelines for treating blacks with high blood pressure due to the fact that African Americans are at higher risk for hypertension than other races.

03/10/03 – An experimental treatment has successfully muted the life-threatening reactions some people have when digesting peanut protein.

03/10/03 – A study finds that quitting smoking, eating a healthier diet, and exercising could prevent almost 100,000 new cancer cases and 60,000 cancer deaths per year.

03/11/03 – A new study suggests that plain soap and water may be the best way to wash off the anthrax bacteria.

03/11/03 – A George Washington University study suggests that women who have suffered severe stress in the year before a cancer diagnosis are more likely to suffer cancer recurrence and death.

03/13/03 – John Hopkins University Doctors have developed a simple blood test that may be able to predict colon cancer risk.

03/13/03 – Doctors in Cleveland implanted electrodes in Actor Christopher Reeves' diaphragm with hopes that it will allow Reeves to breathe without the use of a respirator.

03/13/03 – The government approved a new drug called Fuzeon that fights AIDS.

03/14/03 – Students at Cardozo High School will be tested for Tuberculosis after a student was diagnosed with the disease.

03/17/03 - The trustees for Medicare said the insolvency date for Medicare is now projected to be 2026.

03/18/03 – A 6-year-old girl died from a severe flu-like infection that does not appear to be related to SARS.

03/18/03 – Scientists in Germany have found evidence that the pneumonia that has killed seven people in Asia is caused by viruses linked to measles, mumps, and some forms of influenza.

03/27/03 – The centers for disease control reported another death related to the smallpox vaccine.

03/27/03 – More than 1,000 people have been infected with SARS. Health and Human Services secretary Tommy Thompson said the illness is spreading faster than expected.

03/31/03 – New research shows that eating fish can help reduce the risk of heart disease for people with type-2 diabetes.

03/31/03 – The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation donated a \$60-Million grant to scientists in Maryland for HIV research.

03/31/03 – Researchers say neurological symptoms such as vision loss, muscle tremors, and numbness may be symptoms of West Nile Virus.

04/01/03 – An airplane that had arrived from Tokyo was detained in San Jose, CA because five people onboard had complained of symptoms consistent with SARS.

04/02/03 – The World Health Organization is urging people to avoid Hong Kong and the southern province of China.

04/02/03 – According to the Centers for disease control and prevention, there are 85 suspected SARS cases in the U.S.

04/02/03 – A student at Eastern Senior High School in DC has been diagnosed with bacterial meningitis.

04/03/03 – Several VA schools are canceling trips to China where SARS seems to be most concentrated.

04/04/03 – President Bush signed an executive order that gives health officials the authority to quarantine Americans who have SARS.

04/04/03 – The State Department has authorized the voluntary departure of non-emergency employees and family members at the Beijing Embassy. This is to protect embassy employees from SARS.

04/09/03 – Iraqis and coalition forces are receiving medical treatment on board the USNS Comfort.

04/10/03 – The Centers for disease control says it will take at least 1 year before a SARS vaccine is ready for human testing.

04/11/03 – Two people in VA who recently traveled to Asia are showing SARS symptoms.

04/14/03 – A new study finds that bullies and their victims are more likely to carry weapons and get into fights.

04/14/03 – Harvard Researchers found that women's cardiac death risks are also result of heart disease risk factors such as smoking.

04/14/03 – A study finds that 14 percent of young adults who were exposed to heavy drinking (During pre-natal period) had alcohol problems at age 21.

04/14/03 – The Chinese President gave his first public comments about SARS. He said he is very worried about the disease.

04/15/03 – Researchers at the University of Chicago had patients fill out a permission form when they were first admitted to an intensive care unit, instead of trying to get that consent minutes before an operation was done.

04/15/03 – A study shows that women who use a hormone replacement therapy patch have less risk of developing heart disease than women who take estrogen pills.

04/15/03 – A five-year-long study found that even children below the threshold for lead poisoning suffered learning problems linked to exposure.

04/16/03 – A report finds an increase in Sepsis.

04/17/03 – Some scientists are concerned there may be a potential health risk by using the popular product Teflon.

04/17/03 – A study concludes that cholesterol-lowering drugs can help the brain.

04/21/03 – Researchers at the National Institute on Aging in Bethesda found that chronic snorers are more than twice as likely as non-snorers to suffer daily headaches.

04/21/03 – Mayor Anthony Williams promotes urban bike riding as an alternative to fuel-driven vehicles.

04/21/03 – The Beijing Mayor was fired over his handling of the SARS outbreak. The minister of health was also removed from his post.

04/22/03 – Researchers may have found a way to detect Alzheimer's disease before a person shows symptoms.

04/22/03 – Researchers have discovered that a gene linked to Leukemia may also play a role in Breast Cancer.

04/22/03 – Federal health officials want to keep Americans and other travelers from bringing SARS in from Canada.

04/22/03 – Baltimore health officials are cautious about treating a woman visiting from Hong Kong who has symptoms of SARS.

04/23/03 – A study says that people can significantly reduce the risk of dying from cancer if they lose weight.

04/23/03 – The Food and Drug Administration may allow Allegra and Zyrtec to be available over the counter.

04/24/03 – NBC-4 is looking for 4 people who want to participate in a get healthy for life campaign.

04/24/03 – Health officials in MD say only 2 people in the state may have the SARS virus.

04/25/03 – Baltimore Health officials said a doctor who could have had SARS is fine.

04/25/03 – The Canadian Prime Minister criticized the World Health Organization for urging to avoid Toronto because of SARS.

04/28/03 – The University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore is set to open one of the most high tech surgical centers in the country.

04/29/03 – Canadian health officials were in Capitol Hill today to testify in front of a Senate health committee about the SARS spread.

04/29/03 – President Bush is pressing Congress for \$15-billion to fight AIDS worldwide.

04/29/03 – According to a new study, men die almost 5 years before women and a lot sooner if they are minorities.

04/29/03 – The World Health Organization lifted its travel ban on Toronto.

04/30/03 – Researchers say the Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (a Pneumonia vaccine for children) has dramatically reduced serious illness in young children. Also fewer adults are getting sick because they are not exposed to as many infected children.

05/01/03 – Howard County General Hospital say a man with SARS symptoms was admitted yesterday.

05/01/03 – Tomorrow will be the last day DC General Hospital will operate as a full service emergency room.

05/02/03 – The Maryland's highest court ruled that the smoking ban in Montgomery County is unconstitutional.

05/06/03 – A teacher in an Arlington school died of bacteria that can cause Meningitis. The school is taking precautions.

05/08/03 – The World Health Organization warned that SARS is growing more deadly.

05/08/03 – Special report on the West Nile Virus.

05/08/03 – Researchers in Utah have found a way to trigger the release of a natural substance in the body that kills cancer cells without harming normal cells.

05/08/03 – Researchers test retinal implants that are designed to restore sight to people who have been diagnosed with eye diseases like macular degeneration.

05/09/03 – The Food and Drug Administration approved the HPV test for widespread use. Some health care officials believe it might replace the PAP smear.

05/12/03 – A new report says that infants who are placed on their backs to sleep don't have a higher risk for childhood health problems, like fevers, or ear infections. They have a lower risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.

05/12/03 – In an effort to reduce skin cancer among children, the American Academy of Dermatology will fund grants to build shade structures over playground areas.

05/12/03 – According to new research flu or pneumonia vaccines may be beneficial to heart.

05/13/03 – More infertile couples are turning to holistic methods like acupuncture to become pregnant.

05/13/03 – The District's infant mortality rate dropped more than 42 percent between 1992 and 2001. The rate is the lowest in the city's history.

05/14/03 – The National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute say normal pressure is below 120/80 and people with 120/80 should take steps to prevent high blood pressure.

05/14/03 – A study find that one in four adults gets no exercise at all. Three fourths of Americans engage in at least moderate activity three times a week.

05/15/03 – A promising treatment for spinal cord injuries available only in Israel may soon be tried in the U.S.

05/15/03 – Scientists have found the reason why some HIV carriers never develop a case of full-blown AIDS.

05/15/03 – Researchers in San Diego found that particular molecules or "small heat shock proteins" in the body prolong life and prevent certain diseases that lead to a shorten life expectancy.

05/16/03 – A Food and Drug Administration panel recommended that Xolair be approved only for moderate to severe Asthma sufferers.

05/16/03 – The American Cancer Society said that research shows that breast self-exams don't contribute to breast cancer survival rates.

05/16/03 – There is a high tech tool that takes video pictures of the vocal cords to diagnose swallowing problems.

05/19/03 – A study found that people who have experienced a head injury are 4 times more likely to develop Parkinson's disease than those who never experienced head injury.

05/19/03 – The drug Avasin, which was considered a failure, has been proven to extend the lives of some of the sickest colon cancer patients.

05/19/03 – A new procedure is available to detect Prostate cancer and it's less invasive and more accurate than the regular procedure.

05/20/03 - There are reports of West Virus in the Southeast and parts of Minnesota.

05/20/03 – A new study shows that elderly women who received hormone therapy along with a drug called Alendronate had a lower risk of Osteoporosis.

05/20/03 – A study suggests that compounds in tea can wipe out bacteria that cause bad breath.

05/20/03 – Health Secretary Tommy Thompson said the SARS virus could cause deaths in the United States and Europe during the next flu season.

05/21/03 – Researchers in Michigan found no evidence to suggest that heavy backpacks are to blame for lower back pain.

05/20/03 – The US is banning all beef imports from Canada because a case of mad cow disease has been discovered there.

05/21/03 – A study reveals that a low-carbohydrate diet make people lose weight faster than a calorie-low fat diet.

05/21/03 – A panel of judges tossed out a \$145-billion verdict against five major cigarette makers.

05/21/03 – There are 29 West Nile Virus cases in Virginia.

05/27/03 - A new study finds that h-r-t may actually increase the risk of memory problems in women.

05/28/03 – A new study suggests making condoms available to high school students doesn't increase the chance that they will become sexually active.

05/28/03 – Researchers have confirmed that the West Nile virus can be passed along through transplanted organs. This finding has prompted the FDA to issue new guidelines for organ donors.

05/29/03 - New SARS cases in Toronto are causing officials to worry about a possible travel advisory.

05/30/03 – The CDC director says the worldwide attention on SARS is helping efforts to bring the disease under control.

05/30/03 – China's health officials denied publicly that the communist government covered up the SARS epidemic, saying cases were reported in the media as early as February.

05/30/03 – A study suggests that depression is a common problem among the elderly.

06/02/03 – A new procedure for obese patients that have fewer side effects than gastric bypass surgery.

06/02/03 – Researchers are testing choline, a supplement that may boost the brain of a developing fetus.

06/03/03 – Researchers have concluded that they cannot strongly recommend using MRI for people with low back pain.

06/03/03 – A well-known anti-depressant appears to reduce hot flashes for women going through menopause.

06/03/03 – The Pentagon is ordering health screenings for every serviceman and woman returning home from the Iraq war.

06/04/03 – A Washington based group is urging the government to set limits in the amount of a particular chemical in snack foods.

06/04/03 – A cancer study suggests that early puberty may be a trigger for developing breast cancer.

06/04/03 – A study says that working the night shift could increase your risk of colon cancer.

06/04/03 – Several local leaders and people in the community want to make sure that Nova Mount Vernon hospital does not close down.

06/05/03 – Tomorrow is the last day to sign up for race for the cure.

06/06/03 - European researchers say the cancer drug Erbitux, made by Imclone is effective in shrinking tumors of some colon cancer patients.

06/06/03 – Two crows in Virginia have surfaced carrying the West Nile Virus

06/09/03 – A new study finds that drinking can help you heart and protect against diabetes.

06/09/03 – Four cases of the monkey pox has been confirmed in the Midwest.

06/09/03 – The Hyatt Dulles Hotel at Dulles International Airport is still being disinfected after 60 guests became sick.

06/10/03 – Ten staff members and 34 students at Meade High School in Annapolis have tested positive for tuberculosis.

06/10/03 – Researchers are now recommending aspirin over an expensive drug for preventing recurring strokes among blacks.

VII. VIOLENCE/CRIME

04/01/03- A man who hijacked a Cuban airliner is in FBI custody.

04/01/03-Prince Georges County police say a man suspected of committing a series of sexual assaults in the upper Marlboro area is now in custody.

04/01/03- Montgomery police try to fins a missing mink coat that might lead them to the killer of a north Potomac woman.

04/02/03- A lawsuit involving charges of racial profiling against the Maryland State police is now officially over.

04/02/03-Classes resumed at Cardozo High School in northwest Washington after a student was shot inside the school.

04/02/03- Authorities in Florida are investigation big marijuana find. About 15 Bails of marijuana have washed up on shore on South Florida.

04/03/03- Montgomery County police are investigation an attempted sexual assault that happened yesterday in the norbeck area of Silver Spring.

04/04/03- The Humane Society in Montgomery County ask for the public's help to find someone who abandoned five puppies.

04/04/03- A massage parlor that police in Virginia raided is closed and two female employees are in jail.

04/07/03- The supreme court says states may ban cross burning that is meant to intimidate.

04/07/03- A mafia boss in New York admitted that he faked insanity for year in an attempt to avoid prosecution.

04/08/03- A man who spent 15 years in a Virginia prison for a crime he did not commit went to the American University's Law School to teach the future lawyers there a lesson.

04/08/03- In Charles County, MD police are trying to figure out who murdered a woman as she walked into her home.

04/08/03- In Prince George's County police looked for an older model green Honda that they think the suspect for a triple murder in Lanham got away in.

04/08/03- An attempted robbery at a Hyattsville cleaner turned violent after the owner refused to give up money.

04/09/03- District police are investigating the stabbing death of a man in Northeast Washington.

04/09/03- District police investigate the murder of Kevin Young, a man who was stabbed to death in Northwest Washington.

04/09/03- People in the Brookland and Catholic University community gathered today to remember the three people killed at a neighborhood tavern.

04/10/03- A lot of people who live in Iraq continues to take their revenge on a repressive regime and there was a lot of looting going on.

04/10/03- Two Islamic clerics were killed by a crowd in southern Iraq.

04/11/03- Authorities in Yemen say two suspects in the USS Cole bombing escaped for prison.

04/11/03- Attorneys for sniper suspect John Muhammad say they will seek a special prosecutor to investigate possible leaks in the case.

04/14/03- Four people are under arrest in New Orleans after a deadly shooting at a high school.

04/14/03- Police in the District are searching for leads in a violent robbery in the Kalarama section of Northwest Washington Friday night.

04/14/03- In Israel, stiff sentences have been given to four people connected to a bombing last year at a Passover celebration.

04/14/03- Police in Arlington arrest a teenager who is accused of trying to sexually assault a woman.

04/15/03-85 Naval Academy midshipmen are being disciplined for using a military Internet connection to illegally trade copyrighted music and movies.

04/15/03- Investigation of alleged corruption in the Washington teachers union, federal prosecutors continue to glean information from a key witness.

04/15/03- In the District, Mayor Anthony Williams took an anti-crime stroll through a northwest Washington neighborhood.

04/15/03- Police in New Orleans have now arrested 5 people in connection with a school shooting that killed one student and injured two others.

04/15/03- A group of children made a disturbing discovery of a decomposed body in Fairfax, Virginia.

04/16/03- A marine from Winchester, Virginia who was killed in at the being remembered tonight as an outgoing, athletic young man.

04/16/03- Colonel Brooks' tavern reopened in Northwest Washington for the first time since three employees were murdered there.

04/17/03- DC police and fire investigators are trying to figure out if an n early morning blaze was set to cover up a murder.

04/17/03- The FBI is joining the investigation into the looting of some of Iraq's most valuable heirlooms and artifacts.

04/17/03- Investigators in the District are trying to find out whether an early morning apartment fire was deliberately set to cover up a woman's death.

04/18/03- Former DC Mayor Marion Barry in legal trouble again after a custodian at a BWI airport said Barry shoved her and exposed himself to her.

04/18/03- A class action suit that could have far reaching consequences on the future of red light cameras got underway in the district.

04/18/03- Police in Prince George's county ask for help to find a suspect accused of shooting at tow officers on the beltway.

04/21/03- Dozens of people are believed to be dead in a ferry accident in Bangladesh.

04/21/03- the Supreme Court said that it would re-consider the scope of the Miranda warning. The familiar police warning a suspect begin with the words: "you have the right to remain silent."

04/21/03- Muhammad Hamza al-Zubaydi, another member of Saddam Hussein's inner circle is in coalition custody.

04/22/03- About a hundred people search for 4-year-old Matthew Stallings who disappeared from his home in Calvert County, MD.

04/22/03- Six workers were taken to a hospital near Fort Myers Florida after a suspicious powder was found at an airport there.

04/23/03- Police in Anne Arundel County say the chief suspect in a triple murder in Pasadena, Maryland shot himself in the head after a West Virginia state trooper tried to pull him over this afternoon.

04/24/03- Police believe two suspects may be responsible for a small homemade bomb found in a north Potomac neighborhood.

04/25/03- A decomposed body that was found in Fairfax county has been identified as 19 year old Fanta Moses.

04/25/03- Jack Durett, a 43-year-old man from Arundel County, killed his estranged wife and her parents.

04/25/03- DC council is launching an investigation into alleged police misconduct during demonstrations in the district.

04/28/03- Police in Prince Georges's county are waiting for autopsy results in the death of a toddler.

04/29/03- A former fox news channel employee charged with attempting to smuggle Iraqi paintings in to the United States was in federal court.

04/29/03- A suspect in the first shooting on a metro train in ten years is now in custody.

04/29/03- In Iraq, there was a deadly confrontation between Iraqis and US forces.

04/29/03- The judge in the Moussaoui terrorism case rules that the government must share some information with the defense.

04/29/03- A Fairfax County judge says she will rule within a week to 10 days whether prosecutors may use the confession of sniper Lee Malvo.

04/30/03- Authorities in Texas are looking for two armed robbers who are impersonating police officers.

04/30/03- The murder rate in Montgomery County increased dramatically largely as a result of the sniper shootings.

05/01/03- The Enron company's former chief financial officer Andrew Fastow has been indicted on 31 charges of fraud, conspiracy, money laundering.

05/01/03- Four robberies in 21 minutes in Montgomery County are investigating the string of thefts that took place early on the streets of Silver Spring.

05/01/03- There was a deadly explosion at the airport in Jordan.

05/01/03- An American has been shot in Saudi Arabia.

05/02/03- A couple from Bethesda is awaiting the results of DNA test to find out whether a girl living in Illinois is their missing daughter.

05/05/03- New information about an arsenic poisoning attack at a church in New England.

05/05/03- Authorities have now identified the man who was stabbed to death at the College Park metro station to be John Byers of Greenbelt, MD.

05/05/03- Police in Howard County, MD are investigation the murder of a pregnant woman.

05/06/03- Attorneys had sought millions of dollars in a wrongful death suit.

05/06/03- In Prince George's County a settlement has been reached in a fatal police shooting.

05/06/03- Margaret Muller, a 27-year-old woman from Falls Church, was attacked and stabbed to death in Victoria Park.

05/07/03- A Baltimore clergyman shot by a man who said he was sexually abused is the priest is now facing criminal charges.

05/07/03- A scare at a Prince Georges's County elementary school after reports of a gunman inside the Benjamin Foulois elementary school.

05/07/03- In Baltimore, a grand jury has indicted the Reverend Maurice Blackwell in child sex abuse charges for allegedly abusing Dontee Stokes more than a dozen years ago.

05/08/03- Police in Alexandria say they have found a pregnant woman and her 8-month old daughter who had been missing for three weeks.

05/09/03- Police have responded to a shooting at Case Western University.

05/09/03- The family of a southeast Washington woman shot and killed by a DC police officer last month says they intend to file a lawsuit in connection with the case.

05/09/03- Authorities say people who gave blood in Pennsylvania last fall could become victims of identity theft.

05/09/03- Four people have been arrested in England in connection with a Harry Potter plot.

05/09/03- The FBI released pictures of a serial bank robber who has struck three times in the last five days.

05/12/03- In Tyler, Texas a mother accused of beating to death two of her children and critically injuring a third remains on a suicide watch at a county jail.

05/12/03- More charges have been filed against a Woodbridge, Virginia man accused of attacking a woman and a prince William County police officer.

05/12/03- A new computer virus known as "the Fizzer" worm is spreading across the internet.

05/12/03- There has been another deadly suicide bombing in Chechnya.

05/12/03- A car packed with explosives has crashed into a housing compound in Saudi Arabia.

05/13/03- Montgomery County has filed civil charges against a woman accused of selling worthless airline tickets to dozens of Hispanic customers.

05/13/03- A former flight attendant has pleaded guilty to spiking a toddler's juice with a prescription drug.

05/14/03- The New York Times is reporting that the US is instituting an aggressive new policy to restore security in Iraq.

05/14/03- DC Superior Court is creating a special calendar that will deal exclusively with accused prostitutes and their clients.

05/14/03- Attacks in Riyash killed more than two- dozen people including eight Americans.

05/14/03- Police investigate an assault at the Greenbelt metro station.

05/15/03- An event took place at the US Capitol to honor those who lost their lives while serving in law enforcement.

05/15/03- In Prince William County more than a dozen people have been arrested after a huge undercover drug investigation.

05/15/03- Health officials are interested in learning more about how the sniper attacks affected people in the area.

05/15/03- The police who patrol the waterways in Maryland warn boaters not to drink out on the water.

05/16/03- Federal Government says it is counting to crack down on Internet fraud.

05/16/03- Two more trucks carrying illegal immigrants were found in South Texas.

05/16/03- 15 students at a Chicago-area high school were charged with misdemeanor battery in connection with a violent hazing incident.

05/16/03- There's been an apparent terrorist attack in Morocco where a series of bombings have killed at least 20 people.

05/16/03- The government says it is cracking down on the internet con artist. Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, May 18, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times discuss 50 people marched to the Seventh District Police headquarters to protest the shooting of Charquisa Johnson, 23, by a police officer in SE Washington.

05/18/03- The Associated Press says court records show that before she was missing, Marissa Lara was granted a preliminary protection order May first against Gerardo Lara.

05/19/03- WorldCom has agreed to pay investors 500 million dollars to settle the biggest accounting scandal in US history.

05/19/03- A contractor has been fined for safety violations in the deadly collapse of a parking garage that was under construction.

05/19/03- Montgomery County Fire and bomb squads were at the scene of an apartment complex in the Aspen Hill area where some suspected explosive materials have apparently been found.

05/19/03- The state of Maryland had fined a building contractor in connection with a deadly collapse at a construction project in Rockville.

05/20/03- A ticket write in the district discovered a dead woman in the back seat of a car this morning.

05/20/03- Tow toddlers are hospitalized and in protective custody after one of the children was found running naked down the busy Blair Road in Northwest.

05/20/03- Police in Montgomery County are releasing surveillance photos of a suspected pickpocket.

05/20/03- Police in Prince George's County asked for the public's help to find a man who robbed a Radio Shack.

05/21/03- Charges have been filed against adults in the high school hazing incident in the Northbrook suburb of Chicago.

05/21/03- Police in Norfolk, Virginia report an ambitious robbery attempt at an ATM machine.

05/22/03- Mystery still surrounds explosions that damaged two classrooms at Yale University's Law School.

05/22/03- There are several arrest in the burglary and vandalism of a church in Prince George's County.

05/22/03- A local dentist convicted of rap is still missing.

05/22/03- Members of a church in College Park are cleaning up the work of vandals and hoping to be able to hold services in the sanctuary.

5/23/03- Virginia State police have identified two people killed on the beltway near the Springfield interchange.

5/23/03-Laurel police identify a person who was killed by a C-S-X freight train.

05/26/03- A school board in suburban Chicago has voted to expel 31 high school seniors involved in the hazing incident.

05/26/03- A fugitive from Maryland accused of killing his girlfriend is under arrest in Virginia.

05/27/03- Scott Peterson, who is accused of killing his wife and unborn son, was back in court in Modesto California.

05/27/03- Doctor David Fuster, a Montgomery County dentist who was convicted of raping a teenaged patient, has a court appearance but police don't know where he is.

05/28/03- In Atlanta, Derrick Todd Lee, the suspected serial killer in Louisiana, was arrested.

05/28/03- Prince Georges County held a workshop to address the growing problem of domestic violence among immigrant populations.

05/28/03- Prince George's County say domestic violence is a growing problem in the county's immigrant communities.

05/28/03- The search for Saddam Hussein's alleged weapons of mass destruction continues in Iraq.

05/28/03- Ryan Cappellety, a police officer, was killed in a shootout near Richmond, Virginia.

05/28/03- A Potomac teenager charged with sexually assaulting and robbing and escort was sentenced.

05/29/03- 12 suspects arrested in connection with a string of robberies in the District appeared in court.

05/29/03- A Baltimore priest was shot by a parishioner who accused him of sexual assault.

05/29/03- The DC medical examiner confirmed that the body found in a car is that of Marissa Lara.

05/29/03- The wife of a DC police officer pleaded guilty to hiring someone to kill her husband.

05/30/03- A police officer from New York City is charged with sexually assaulting a female police recruit from DC.

05/30/03- A New York City police officer accused of sexual assault will go on trial in Washington in November.

05/30/03- The wife of a DC police officer pleaded guilty to hiring someone to kill her husband.

05/30/03- A US soldier was killed in Iraq when his military convoy came under fire.

Viewpoint, Sunday June 1, 2003. Host: News 4 Anchor, Joe Krebs and guest Prince George's County State's Attorney Glenn Ivey, discuss crime, police relations, conduct

and reform, death penalty options, politics and crime domestic violence and anti-gun initiative.

06/02/03- Students from Matthew Henson in Palmer Park had to be taken to a nearby high school because of a police standoff in the neighborhood.

06/02/03- A new report from the Inspector General of the Justice Department finds significant problems with the detention of many foreigners after the September Eleventh attacks.

06/02/03- Opening arguments are scheduled to begin in the case of a woman charged with killing a Fairfax couple in Ocean City.

06/03/03- Eric Rudolph pleaded not guilty to charges that he blew up an abortion clinic in Birmingham, Alabama back in 1998.

06/03/03- Three DC police officers face dismissal for the way they handled 911 calls when a deadly fire broke out in the Dupont circle area last winter.

06/03/03- An attendance counselor at Ballou Senior High School was held without bond after he was charged with sexually abusing a student at the school.

06/03/03- Three DC police officers were called before the police trial board for a fatal fire in Dupont Circle.

06/03/03- Martha Stewart could be indicted soon on criminal charges connected to the Im-clone insider trading scandal.

06/03/03- Four Arab immigrants were on trial in Detroit, accused if conspiring to support Islamic extremist.

06/04/03- The superintendent of the Naval Academy stepped down after investigators determined he had improper contact with a Marine sentry last New Year's Eve.

06/04/03- Sirhan Sirhan, the man convicted of killing senator Robert F. Kennedy in 1968, asks for a new trial claiming he was framed.

06/04/03- Thousands of bootleg cd's and DVD's and computer games were seized last night in Charles County, Maryland.

06/04/03- Police in Montgomery County are looking for suspects involved in the robbery of a brink's security truck driver.

06/04/03- A well-known prosecutor in Montgomery County has been barred from driving for several months because of a drunk driving plea.

06/05/03- 16 snakes went missing at the Reptile Connection, a private wholesaler that supplies exotic animals to pet shops.

06/05/03- two juveniles have been arrested in connection with the thefts of four crowns Victoria's.

06/05/03- Investigators have classified a fatal fire that killed 85-year-old woman Lou Edna Jones as an arson.

06/05/03- A woman suicide bomber ambushed a military bus near the border of Russia and Chechnya.

06/06/03- Federal officials say a love triangle resulted in a Marine murder conspiracy in Kuwait.

06/06/03- The fire Marshal is investigating a suspicious set of truck fires at a beverage distributor in Fairfax County.

06/09/03- In San Jose, California, police have a man in custody in the kidnapping of a 9-year old girl for her home last week.

06/09/03- A school bus driver from Pennsylvania has pleaded guilty in a federal kidnapping case that ended in Prince Georges County.

06/09/03- FBI agents search for evidence in the deadly anthrax attacks of two years ago.

06/09/03- A reward is being offered for the information in a hit and run accident that killed a local man, Everett Grimes.

06/09/03- Detectives from the District and Arlington meet to compare notes on a series of sex assaults in local hotels.

06/10/03- The founder of Imclone Systems has been sentenced to seven years and three months in prison for his roles in an insider trading scandal.

06/10/03- A Montgomery county teenager has been charged in a rock-throwing incident that injured two county police officers.

06/10/03- First responder's from several communities in Maryland took part in a mock terrorism drill.

06/10/03- Juann Tubbs, a man from Florida, is being held without bond in connection with a bizarre incident at Union Station.

06/10/03- A ninth grader remains in the hospital tonight after he was shot while walking home from school this afternoon.

06/11/03- Prince Georges's County police look for an elderly woman who has been missing for a week.

06/11/03- WorldCom hopes to persuade a judge to approve a settlement with regulators in its accounting case.

06/11/03- Freddie Mac ousted three of its top officers because of accounting problems.

06/11/03- Police in Fairfax County have recovered thousands of dollars in stolen property and closed nearly 30 burglary cases in the West Springfield section of the county.

06/11/03- A task force of local police has now been assembled to try to catch a serial rapist targeting employees at hotels.

06/12/03- The Congressional Black Caucus paid tribute to Army specialist Shoshana Johnson, one of the American women rescued by the US during operation Iraqi freedom.

06/13/03- The pond in Fredrick, Maryland that is at the center of the anthrax investigation has been completely drained.

06/13/03- A 95year-old woman was found dead following a house fire early this morning.

06/13/03- A serial bank robber has now struck 8 times in our area in a little more than a month.

06/16/03- A hearing is underway in Fort Knox, Kentucky to decide whether a US soldier should be court-martialed for a deadly grenade attack.

06/16/03- In Texas, police have in custody the ringleader of an immigrant smuggling operation.

06/17/03- Montgomery County police are warning Takoma Park residents to be on alert after two sexual assaults were reported in the last 3 weeks.

06/17/03- Ernest Avants was sentenced to life in prison without parole for a racist murder that happened 37 years ago.

06/17/03- A 3 month old baby is in critical condition at a Virginia hospital tonight after ingesting anti-freeze.

06/17/03- There are questions about whether the Bishop of Phoenix, Arizona will remain in that position.

06/18/03- District Mayor Anthony Williams today announced new safeguards that he said should prohibit the misuse of hundreds of government credit cards.

06/18/03- Bishop Thomas O' Brien of Phoenix, the bishop who was arrested after a deadly hit and run, resigned.

06/18/03- Police in Benton Harbor, Michigan enforced a 10:30 curfew in an attempt to prevent further violence.

06/18/03- A member of the district police department is charged with assault with a deadly weapon for allegedly pointing a gun at a fellow officer.

06/18/03- Christopher Conover walks out of jail after his murder conviction is overturned because DNA test prove that he was not responsible for the murders of a Randallstown man and his stepdaughter.

06/18/03- Charges could be upgraded against a teenage girl accused in a deadly hit and run accident in Southeast Washington.

06/19/03- The author of the Harry Potter novels is suing a newspaper that published bits of the book before the official release.

06/19/03- Convicted rapist Andrew Luster is back in the US.

06/19/03- In the Mideast an intense push was underway to persuade Palestinian militants to accept a truce.

06/19/03- A House committee is looking into the way the FBI handles its mob informants.

06/19/03- Police in two local jurisdictions are investigating two separate shooting incidents that may be random and connected.

06/20/03- An army soldier was arrested and charged with a deadly attack on his fellow comrades while they were sleeping.

06/20/03- The state department has ordered the closing of an American embassy in east Africa following warnings that a terror attack is imminent.

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, June 22, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times – Montgomery County Police chief Charles Moose has quit. Did the chief do the right thing?

06/23/03- Jay Lentz is charged with kidnapping resulting in death following the disappearance of his ex-wife Doris seven years ago.

06/25/03- The government has approved human trials of a new anthrax drug made by a local company

06/25/03 – Dwight Watson (tractor man) back in Washington for trial

06/25/03- DC fireman say arson is to blame for early morning fire in NE today

06/25/03-A routine traffic stop led to a significant drug bust on I-95.

06/25/03-Fairfax County Police are investigating a series of brazen thefts of ATM machines.

06/26/03- Court proceeding for the Laci Peterson murder case

06/26/03- New twist in the government's case against accused terrorist Zacarias Moussaoui

06/26/03- The former chairman of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents has been indicted in a scandal involving Maryland's pension system.

06/27/03- Prince county police looking for suspects who vandalized 23 cars in Lake ridge

06/27/03- Jurors deliberate the sentencing of a Texas woman convicted of hitting a man with her car and leaving him to die

06/27/03-Latoya Taylor the missing I.R.S. worker was last seen leaving her job in Northwest Washington.

06/27/03-Tow men charged in the death of Brandon Malston, a University of Maryland student were acquitted of murder.

06/30/03- John Jackson, who recently graduated for Georgetown University, was among the people killed when a porch collapsed in Chicago.

06/30/03- The F.B.I. has joined the search for the missing basketball player, Patrick Dennehy, from Baylor University

06/30/03- Two people hurt after a dump truck overturned near Berwyn Heights Maryland

06/30/03- Authorities in Fairfax look for the person responsible for a disturbing act of animal cruelty in Great Falls, Maryland.

06/30/03- Daphne Gipson, the woman who was critically injured by a huge rock dropped from overpass I-95 was upgraded from critical to serious condition.

06/30/03-Hadley's Park, a well-known playground in Montgomery county, has been vandalized.

06/30/03- A judge in Manassas, Virginia has refused to drop one of the two capital murder charges against Sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad.

06/30/03- Masoud Khanh, one of the local men arrested on charges of plotting to carry out terrorist attacks overseas, has been released from jail.

VIII. POLITICS

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, April 13, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times discuss Maryland General Assemblies failure to solve the state's fiscal problems.

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, April 20, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times discuss Montgomery County's tax increase is likely to offset the budget deficit

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, May 18, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times – Attorney General Jerry Kilgore raised \$500,000 this week for his 2005 gubernatorial campaign

Reporter's Notebook, Sunday, June 15, 2003: News 4 anchor Pat Lawson Muse, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM and Adrienne Washington Washington Times, Fairfax voters will choose in November whether Democrat Gerald Connolly or republican Michele Brickner should lead the county.

IX. CONSUMER

04/01/03- General motors offers zero percent financing.

04/02/02- The gasoline mileage will be increasing for vans, pickup trucks and sport utility vehicles.

04/03/03- General Motors recalls 341 thousand of its 1997 mid-size SUV's to fix seat belt problems.

04/03/03- After being dark for almost 20 years, the screen at the Silver Theatre opens.

04/07/03- Yahoo launched a new revised search engine so that it can beat its most popular business partner, Google.

05/23/03- Heloide.com tells how to get rid of food odors left behind on plastic cutting board by using vinegar.

05/27/03- In Orlando, a Muslim woman is fighting to get her driver's license re-instated because she refused to be photographed without her traditional Islamic veil.

05/27/03- A British explorer was successfully rescued from the North Pole after getting stranded on an ice floe and running out of food.

05/27/03- Howard University is planning to create the nation's largest bank of DNA from African Americans.

05/27/03- The Greater Washington Board of Trade says that the Washington area had survived the economic tough times better than any other major region on of the country.

05/28/03- The state of Maryland is going to try to figure out what's causing those annoying pinhole leaks in the copper pipes.

05/28/03- Montgomery County is urging other banks to follow Bank of Americas lead and accept the ID's from Mexico and Guatemala.

05/29/03- The Consumer Product Safety Commission is recalling more than a million Conceptual Marketing and Development weed cutting attachment blades.

05/29/03- The White House has asked both the Agriculture Department and Health and Human Services to re-work the "fat" part of the food pyramid.

05/29/03- US Airways says it will start selling food this summer on all domestic flights longer than two hours.

05/30/03- Georgetown Pediatrics at Georgetown University Hospital said that children 12 years of age and older should drink about 8 glasses of water each day.

05/30/03- Krispy Kreme doughnuts give the best tips in storing donuts.

05/30/03- Microsoft will pay AOL 750 million dollars as part of an anti-trust settlement.

06/02/03- A International satellite radio service had been beaming music and news to Africa, Asia, the Middle East and parts of Europe for several years.

06/02/03- A Chinese freighter sinks off the east of Denmark.

06/02/03- The Federal Communications Commission voted to relax rules on media ownership.

06/02/03- Les Nubians, a hot new music group, was in DC playing at the Tower Records on Pennsylvania Avenue to promote their latest CD.

06/03/03- The National Transportation Safety Board is looking into a new safety system that could help prevent rollovers.

06/03/03- Chevrolet says it's dropping the Cavalier with the 2005 model year.

06/03/03- Auto consultants JD Powers and Associates forecast a dramatic increase in Hybrid cars over the next 10 years.

06/03/03- Food industry consultants say the burger biz is coming to the conclusion that American tastes have changed and diners want to chomp on gourmet food items placed between upscale bread.

06/03/03- The much-anticipated memoir of former first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton goes on sale.

06/04/03- Ed Rosenthal, the so-called guru of ganja, was allowed to walk free by a federal judge for growing and distributing marijuana.

06/04/03- Starbucks had opened its first store in Adams Morgan.

06/05/03- The Consumer Product Safety Commission and Creative Kids are recalling fourteen hundred children's mini-cutters with razor blades and the CPSC says that poses a laceration hazard to young children.

06/05/03- The CPSC and Trivett Industries are recalling about six hundred Pancake Express pancake makers because the handles cannot withstand the heat that this device produces.

06/05/03- The CPSC and Trisonic are recalling twelve thousand nightlights because they pose a serious burn hazard to consumers.

06/05/03- The CPSC and Babi Italia are recalling about two thousand Tiffany and Josephine model cribs because of problems with the slats on the cribs.

06/05/03- The CPSC and Starbucks are recalling about thirty eight thousand plastic Bearista Bear tumbler cups because the straw can cause a child to choke.

06/06/03- Cover Girl tells consumers how to get rid of thick nail polish.

06/06/03- The Volkswagon Beetle announced that it would stop producing the rear-engine bug by the end of the summer.

06/06/03- Federal appeals court ruled that cell phone users could keep their phone numbers even if they switch their wireless carrier.

06/06/03- Wal-Mart says some women's magazines are too sexy for its check out lines so it's going to cover them up.

06/10/03- General Motors is recalling 107-thousand Buick Rendezvous SUV's because of a problem with the rear lift gate.

06/10/03- E-Trade says its new "Mortgage-On -The-Move" program will allow today's home buyers to take their rate with them when they move to a future business.

06/10/03- Consumer Reports Magazine warns that kids may be swallowing more caffeine than they realize, with Haagen-Dazs coffee ice cream contains more caffeine than a can of Coke.

06/10/03- Blues and Dreams is a new tourism initiative underway that focuses on Washington's African American heritage.

06/11/03- T-Mobile came out with the sidekick, which is an all in one device, phone and almost everything else for 200 dollars.

06/11/03- A gun shop owner in Washington state says he is selling his business because of fallout from the sniper spree.

06/13/03- American Express doesn't return checks because they rolled out electronic processing of checks for most customers.

06/13/03- Insider Report says than home foreclosures are at a record high because more and more people are having a hard time making their mortgage payments.

06/13/03- Robert Johnson, the man who founded Black Entertainment Television (BET) may try to buy a bank after selling BET for three million dollars.

06/15/03- Rescuers call off the search for survivors of a fishing boat accident off the coast of Oregon.

06/15/03- Residents in a Northeast neighborhood are going to court to block the construction of a halfway house in their area.

06/18/03- Comcast's portion of the revenue lost to cable theft is in the millions and the company says thousands of people have come forward themselves or turned someone else in.

06/18/03- Cabin Fever is a new Irish reality show set on a boat and has been billed as the Irish television event of the summer.

06/18/03- Metro officials will take a vote tomorrow that could result in a fare hike.

06/18/03- Thousands of people crowded into a new Ikea store for its grand opening in Prince George's County.

06/19/03- For the first time in eight years, Metro Transit fares and parking fees are going up.

06/20/03- The Salvation Army answers a question about charities and giving your car for a tax reduction.

06/20/03- The FCC says it is legal for cell phone companies to charge you for a cancelled phone service if the cancellation policy is spelled out in the contract.

06/23/03- A known carcinogen is used to treat pressured wood.

06/23/03- Recent statistics suggest that only one in three people with disabilities of working age in the United States has a job.

06/24/03- General Motors recalled more than a quarter million Saturns so it can correct an engine problem.

06/25/03- The recording industry says it's going after people who illegally download songs and share them online.

06/25/03- The federal government recalls Infant safety seats Cosco Arriva and Cosco Turnabout.

06/25/03- Federal Reserve Board announces federal fund cuts of about a quarter point to one percent.

06/25/03- Cathy Foy, a former nun from Philadelphia, hit the jackpot for more than now and a half million dollars after playing the quarter slots at Caesars in Atlantic City.

06/26/03- National Do-Not-Call list registry is a free sign-up list for anyone who hates getting telemarketing calls at home.

06/26/03- The Association behind the Download Crackdown is located in Washington, DC.

06/26/03- Washington Area still experience some water main breaks.

06/27/03-Food Reference. Com compares elephant garlic and regular garlic finding that elephant garlic is much milder than regular garlic.

06/27/03- American Plant Food Company gives answer to why it is recommended that you plant marigolds next to tomato plants.

06/27/03- Arlington National Cemetery answers efforts to identify soldiers' remains using DNA technology.

06/27/03- Talk of revitalizing the Georgia Avenue corridor in Northwest has a renewed hope that a real economic turnabout is underway.

06/27/03- A new set of digital drums, The DrumXtreme digital drum, set from Pacific digital retails for \$299.

06/30/03- People across the country remember the legendary actress Katharine Hepburn.

06/30/03- President Bush is in Florida where he's looking for votes and money.

06/30/03- There will be a new look in Landover because the Old Cap Center demolished last December is being replaced by a shopping center.

06/30/03- In Montgomery County police are looking for a man who robbed an armored truck and now has two guns.